



U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, REGION 2

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BY ELECTRONIC MAIL

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Re: Re: Lower Passaic River Study Area Draft Remedial Investigation Report –
Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Remedial
Investigation/Feasibility Study (Agreement) CERCLA Docket No. 02-2007-2009

Dear Dr. Law:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) reviewed the Cooperating Parties Group's (CPG) *draft Remedial Investigation (RI) Report Appendix M*, prepared by Anchor QEA in January 2018 and provided comments on July 30, 2018. The *revised Appendix M* was received from the CPG on October 10, 2018 and the CPG's responses to EPA's comments were received on October 22, 2018. Partner agencies did not provide comments on this revised section.

EPA's evaluation of the revised draft submittal concluded that the CPG did not make the necessary edit as documented in the response to prior comment #136 (minor editorial revision to the second paragraph in Section C.7 of Attachment C). Please proceed with the one revision to the draft RI *revised Appendix M*. The CPG's responses to all other prior comments on *revised Appendix M* are considered acceptable in accordance with Section X, Paragraph 44(a) of the Agreement.

Any unreviewed changes and further edits made by the CPG will be reviewed after all revised components of the RI Report have been combined. EPA reserves the right to review the RI Report in its entirety at that time to ensure continuity between sections and overall consistency. If there are any questions, please contact me to discuss.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Diane Salkie", written in a cursive style.

Diane Salkie, Remedial Project Manager
Lower Passaic River Study Area RI/FS

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